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PROSPECTUS

FOR PUBLISHING AT THE CAPITAL OF THE STATE, THE

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES

OF THE

CONVENTION OF KENTUCKY.

To be held at Frankfort, on the first Monday in October next, to adopt a New Constitution for the State.

The following resolution has been adopted by the

Legislature, and approved by the Governor, viz:

Resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, That John W. Finnell and William

Tanner, be and they are hereby authorized to procure

the names of all members of the Convention, and to

publish, and to cause to be published, the Proceedings

and Debates of the Convention, called to meet at

Frankfort, Kentucky, on the first Monday in October

next, to adopt a New Constitution for the State.

Under the sanction of this authority, the services of

the most competent stenographers to be procured in the

Union, will be secured, to report in full the PROCEED-

INGS AND DEBATES of the Convention to meet as

above.

The Reports will be more full and accurate, it is believed,

than those of any similar body, the proceedings of

which now constitute part of the history of the constitutional

history of our great confederacy. For, besides having

the official sanction of the Convention, and the

supervision of the legislative agents named in the resolution

above, they will be published in a cheap and popular

edition, and if any inaccuracies should occur in this,

they will be discovered and corrected before the matter

of the Reports is transferred to the book form in which

they are now proposed to be published.

The progress of Constitutional reform in the United

States is not one of the least interesting features of our

national history, as it shows the growth of the public

mind in the appreciation of the science of government,

and has kept up with the increase of population, of

power, and of glory.

Our own State Constitution, now entering on the

advance age of half a century, in the vigor of its natu-

ral life, is among the best of its day, as the hardy and

enlightened men who formed it were in advance of their

contemporaries of other States in practical knowledge of

republican government. But it has now grown old, and

the people have, by an overwhelming majority, resolved

that it shall be subjected to the ordeal of a thorough

revision. That this duty will be well and faithfully per-

formed, we have the surest guarantee in the strong

ministry, sturdy wills and general intelligence of our peo-

ple, which will cause them to reject delegates possessing

the highest order of talents, and the best acquirements,

for the important duty assigned them.

From the distinguished character of Kentucky States-

men at home and abroad, for eloquence, patriotism and

judgment, the Debates in the Convention are expected to

evoke the purest principles in the science of govern-

ment, and to be characterized by a dignity of manner

and elegance of style which will commend them to our

fellow citizens, and general interest of all citizens of our

country. But the greatest value which will be to our

people, and to which will most commend it to the pub-

lic patronage, will be its capacity to show to the peo-

ple and to posterity, the process and reasons which led

to the adoption of the organic law of the State, and to

declare to them, in clear and unmistakable language,

the principles upon which each provision stands—the

motives which governed the builders of the arch of

their civil and religious liberties; in fact, the mode in

which every stone of the political edifice was laid.

In 1787, Mr. Madison foresaw with the keen of a

prophet, that after generations would seek with the

natural avidity of curious and inquiring minds, for the

reasons, objects and opinions of the enlightened body

which formed the Constitution of the United States, to

enable them to see by what process of reasoning the new

system of government adopted by them, received its

peculiar structure and organization. Congress paid for

his comparative meagre, but accurate and interesting

reports, in manuscript, thirty thousand dollars, and the

people in every State and in almost every town and

country in the Union, sought to secure copies at a high

price. It is true that Convention was forming a CHARTER

OF LIBERTY for a NATION; and when the work of

their hands has withstood the scrutiny of mind, and

defied the vicissitudes of time for nearly three-quarters

of a century, the latest and most perfect of their

proceedings, it is greater than can be claimed for any other produc-

tion of the genius or intellect of man.

It is here proposed to do for Kentucky the work

which Mr. Madison performed for a Nation, and the pre-

diction is ventured, that fifty years will find the history

of the Convention in Kentucky, to possess scarcely less

interest than that of the conscript fathers of 1787.

By securing a copy of these Debates, every man will

have the arguments and reasons before him, to guide

him to an intelligent decision when the new Constitu-

tion shall be submitted to his approval; and thus,

whether good or bad, he can act upon it as a discrimi-

nating judgment will dictate. Hence, we rely with con-

fidence on the intelligence and liberality of our fellow-

citizens to extend to the proposed work, a patronage

commensurate with its importance and its intrinsic

value.

A. G. HODGES & CO.

WILLIAM TANNER.

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If the work shall not exceed six hundred pages, it

will be furnished, well bound, for THREE DOLLARS

per copy, and at the rate of FIFTY CENTS per hundred ad-

ditional pages.

All Editors and Publishers of Newspapers, or

Periodicals in Kentucky, who will publish the forego-

ing, once or twice a month, shall be furnished with the

Debates well bound.

February 10, 1849.

PAPER WAREHOUSE.

WE offer for sale a large stock of EASTERN and

WESTERN PAPER, PRINTERS and ENGRA-

VERS CARDS, &c., embracing the best assortment

to be found in the West, and adapted to the use of

JOHNSTON and PRINTER, BOOK BINDER, GROCER,

DRUGGIST, and MANUFACTURERS of all kinds requir-

ing Paper.

We will sell as low as any paper can be sold by

respectable dealers.

Post Office No. 1000 Paper always on hand, of

the same quality as furnished by us on contracts, to several

of the principal offices in the West and South.

Rags bought at all times at the highest market price

for Cash or Paper.

BUTLER & BROTHER,

215 Main St. between 5th and 6th.

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 11, 1849—809-17

References—Proprietors of the Gazette, Chronicle,

Atlas, Enquirer and Volks Blatt newspapers, Cin-

cinnati, Ohio.

THE POST OFFICE has been removed to the S. E.

corner of Broadway and Lewis streets, in the build-

ing occupied by B. F. Johnson.

P. S. FALL, A. M.

Frankfort, August 7, 1849—878-17

For Sale.

A SPRIGHTLY negro girl, about 9 or 10 years old.

Enquire at this office.

August 14, 1849—879-17

NEW LIVERY STABLE.

HENRY GILNER

RESPECTFULLY announces to his friends and the public generally, that he has completed his large new stable opposite the Mansion House, and is ready to furnish all who may favor him with a call, with first rate Horses, Buggies and Cabs, on the most reasonable terms.

He has lately purchased a fine new six passenger Coach, which can be had at all hours of the day or night, with a careful driver.

Horses graded, picked, nicked, &c. on very moderate terms.

Horses kept by the day, week, month or year.

A portion of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

Frankfort, Sept. 23, 1849—676-17

Fair Warning.

WE have now been doing business in Frankfort for nearly three years, and in the mean time have been very indulgent to those who purchase LUMBER from us. We now NEED MONEY, which we MUST HAVE, and we hereby give fair warning to all those who owe themselves to be indebted to us, to come forward and settle up, or else we will be compelled to place our accounts in the hands of the proper officers for collection. We hope this Warning will not be disregarded, as we mean what we say. "A word to the wise is enough."

P. S.—All those who wish to purchase LUMBER, are hereby notified that we are selling at very reduced prices, for CASH. Call and see. S. & H. Frankfort, March 27, 1849—859-17

Fifty-Four Town Lots for Sale.

THE undersigned offers for sale in lots to suit purchasers, his place on Lexington Hill, known as the property of SCOTT & HARRISON, and divided into fifty-four lots, each containing one acre, and situated on a fine tract of land, containing one hundred and fifty acres, owned by the Commonwealth office, Yeoman office, Weisiger House and Mansion House.

Any information relative to price, terms of sale, situation, &c., can be had of J. R. Page, on the premises, of Jas. S. Evans, Frankfort, or of the undersigned, at the 2nd Auditor's Office.

THOS. S. PAGE.

P. S. I will also sell the House and lot, lately occupied by J. M. Rake, on the opposite side of the Turnpike from the above, and owned by myself and James Harlan.

Frankfort, Ky. September 19, 1848—832-17

SCOTT'S

Patent Improved and Ventilated

REFRIGERATORS.

ON A NEW PRINCIPLE!!

THIS superior article is so constructed that the ice-water runs slowly between two metallic shells, which is double, thereby causing its refrigerating influence to be the same throughout the whole apparatus.

The water, as it melts from the ice, is confined within said shells, from the effect of all but air, keeping them cool at every point, and giving rise to the benefit of the ice and ice water. A ventilation, different from those used in any other Refrigerator, and far better, has been applied to them. Owing to their peculiar construction, they will not rust, and will not injure the things placed in them as the Old Style Boxes have done. All will be convinced of this upon an examination of them.

Refer to Gov. Letcher, Jr. Physician and John Watson.

They are made of various sizes, are very moderate, and about as cheap as the old fashioned articles. They are kept clean, than any Refrigerator heretofore in use, and are warranted to keep cool and preserve ALL articles for culinary purposes, such as Meats, Milk, Butter, &c.

Another great advantage in Scott's Patent Refrigerators, is that they have a Water Jar placed in them, from which water can be drawn, and used for cooling the ice.

These Refrigerators are manufactured by J. McCOMB & SON, at Louisville, and the certificates of a large number of respectable citizens of Louisville, who are using them, testifying to their superior adaptation to all the objects for which they are designed, are in the possession of the undersigned.

Refer to Gov. Letcher, Jr. Physician and John Watson.

Persons wishing this article will please call at

June 8, 1849—860-17

TODD & CRITTENDEN'S.

To Millers and Mill Owners.

T. I. ROBERTS, Millwright and Engineer, will at

temper to building and repairing of Mills, propelled by either water or steam, on the most improved plans,

and will guarantee to the miller the best of satisfaction. Charges moderate. Apply to

T. I. ROBERTS, Frankfort, Ky.

REFERENCES:

DOUGLASS & GRANT, Frankfort.

ADAMS MARSHALL, Master Sea Gull.

Capt. W. GEORGE, Woodford county.

June 26, 1849—872-3m

4,000 Packages Boots and Shoes.

B. F. BAKER & CO.,

456 MAIN STREET, LOUISVILLE, KY.

WOULD inform their friends and the public

that they have now on hand a large stock of

STOCK, which is the largest and best that

have ever offered. Having a house in Boston, and

being engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes,

they are prepared to offer great inducements to Western and Southern

dealers, as their goods are manufactured expressly

to meet the wants of this market. All orders addressed

to them here or to 72 Third Street, Boston, will meet with

prompt attention. Sept. 4, 1849—882-9t 82—(ch. Jour.)

Frankfort Female Seminary,

Conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Nold.

THE next session will commence on the first Monday

in August, next, and will continue twenty weeks.

From, and after the commencement of the next session,

the number of pupils will be limited to thirty-five, and

the terms of instruction will be as follows:—

Terms per Session of 20 Weeks.

Tuition, boarding, washing, &c., \$70.00

Books, stationery, &c., \$10.00

Music on Piano or Organ, \$15.00

Modern Languages, Painting and Drawing, each, 10.00

One-half of the above to be paid at the time of admission.

Pupils will be charged from the time they enter to

close of session. No deduction will be made for ab-

sence from school, or for protracted illness.

July 10, 1849—874-17

Female Eclectic Institute,

NEAR FRANKFORT, KY.

THIS well known school will open its 26th regular

session on Monday, July 21st, by which day, it is re-

quired that all pupils will be present. In consequence

of the graduating of a very large class, more new pupils

than usual can be admitted; and, although applications

are numerous, and some new pupils have already

arrived, a few places may yet be had.

TEBBS.

For boarding and instruction in all the plain and or-

namental branches of the course, including the Latin

and French languages—and, to such as desire it, the

Greek and German—drawing in pencil and crayon, and

painting in water and oil colors, and in the monochro-

matic style; the use of a large collection of the best

quality and of every description; the use of a library

of more than 1,000 volumes; of maps, globes, charts,

diagrams and astronomical plates, and of a most com-

plete apparatus, as well as a fine bathing establish-

ment, for the use of the pupils, and of a most superb

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